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## U.S. EPA Continues Response to the BP Whiting Oil Spill

Chicago (March 26, 2014) -- The U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency were on site at the BP Refinery in Whiting, Indiana today to oversee a second day of cleanup operations following an oil spill into Lake Michigan that BP reported on March 24, 2014.

A Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Team, consisting of representatives of EPA, USCG and BP, inspected the shoreline for a period of three hours to assess the presence of oil and to recommend cleanup techniques as required. The team saw minimal oiling of the shoreline and recommended a small manual removal crew conduct maintenance along the shoreline.

Weather and wind conditions improved overnight allowing teams to once again secure boom.

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